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MIL DRAWDOWNS, PROVIDES OUTLINE OF BUKAVU SERVICE PACKAGES

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1. THIS IS AN ACTION REQUEST. PLEASE SEE PARA 9.

SUMMARY

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2. UNHCR HEAD OF FUNDRAISING SERVICE AND HUMANITARIAN AIRLIFT COORDINATOR CALLED U.S. AND FRENCH MISSION REPS TO A MEETING 8/16 TO DISCUSS WAYS TO ENSURE CONTINUITY IN HUMANITARIAN RELIEF OPERATIONS DURING AND AFTER DRAWDOWNS OF U.S. AND FRENCH MILITARY OPERATIONS. UNHCR URGENTLY REQUIRES ANSWERS TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS PROVIDED IN PARA 8 IN ORDER TO PLAN ON WHICH GAPS UNHCR WILL HAVE TO FILL IN THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS AS A RESULT OF POSSIBLE MILITARY DRAWDOWNS.

3. IN ITS WEEKLY "NOTES" TO DONOR GOVERNMENTS DATED  
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8/16, UNHCR PROVIDED AN OUTLINE OF SERVICE PACKAGES FOR BUKAVU-UVIRA AS A CONTINGENCY FOR A MASS INFLUX FROM RWANDA. IN ITS MESSAGE, UNHCR EXPLAINS (BASED ON COMMITMENTS BY GOVERNMENTS MADE PREVIOUSLY) THAT THE U.S. HAS AGREED TO COVER AIRPORT SERVICES AND THAT THE U.S. AND GERMANY HAVE AGREED TO COVER WATER MANAGEMENT.  
END SUMMARY.

PLANNING FOR U.S. AND FRENCH MILITARY DRAWDOWNS

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4. UNHCR'S HEAD OF FUNDRAISING SERVICE, ERNEST CHIPMAN, AND HUMANITARIAN AIRLIFT COORDINATOR, NEIL WRIGHT, INVITED U.S. AND FRENCH MISSION REPS AND EUCOM MILITARY LIAISON TO A MEETING 8/16 IN ORDER TO DISCUSS FUTURE MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN THE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF OPERATIONS IN RWANDA/ZAIRE. IN AN EFFORT TO PLAN FOR A SEAMLESS TRANSITION, UNHCR REQUESTED URGENT RESPONSES TO LISTS OF QUESTIONS DIRECTED AT THE U.S. AND FRENCH GOVERNMENTS. (FULL TEXT HAS BEEN FAXED TO PRM/AAA; QUESTIONS DIRECTED TO THE USG ARE LISTED IN PARA 8). IN ADDITION, UNHCR REQUESTED A LIST OF EQUIPMENT AND OTHER RESOURCES THAT WILL REMAIN FOR USE IN THE HUMANITARIAN OPERATION AFTER MILITARY WITHDRAWAL.

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5. UNHCR IS ATTEMPTING TO DO SOME FORWARD PLANNING IN ORDER TO PREPARE FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. AND FRENCH MILITARY COMMITMENT BY IDENTIFYING ANY GAPS THEY NEED TO UNCLASSIFIED  
FILL. UNHCR ASKED IF THE U.S. WILL LOOK FOR ALTERNATIVES TO MILITARY INVOLVEMENT. FOR EXAMPLE, THE U.S. IS CURRENTLY MANAGING THE ENTEBBE AND KIGALI  
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AIRHEADS. WILL THE U.S. CONTINUE TO DO THIS EITHER THROUGH MILITARY OR CIVILIAN MEANS (E.G. THROUGH A U.S.-FUNDED NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION) AFTER FORMAL U.S. MILITARY DEPARTURE OR SHOULD UNHCR NOW BE IDENTIFYING OTHER SOURCES TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE?

CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR SOUTH OF LAKE KIVU  
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6. ON 8/16, UNHCR DISTRIBUTED TO OVER 30 GOVERNMENTS SEVERAL DOCUMENTS UNDER THE HEADING "NOTES ON THE RWANDA-BURUNDI EMERGENCY." (FULL TEXT HAS BEEN FAXED TO PRM/AAA.) UNHCR PROVIDED AN UPDATE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RELATED TO THE RWANDA/BURUNDI EMERGENCY (PRIORITIES FOR

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 IN-KIND DONATIONS, STATUS OF SERVICE PACKAGES, DONOR  
 RESPONSES, ETC.); GUIDELINES FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNHCR;  
 AND AN OUTLINE OF SERVICE PACKAGES FOR BUKAVU.

7. UNHCR'S "OUTLINE FOR SERVICE PACKAGES - SOUTH KIVU,  
 AS A CONTINGENCY FOR MASSIVE ARRIVALS FROM RWANDA"

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EXPLAINS TO GOVERNMENTS THAT THE U.S. HAS ALREADY AGREED TO COVER AIRPORT SERVICES (I.E., AIRPORT REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND CONTROL OF AIRCRAFT-RUNWAYS, AND CARGO HANDLING WITH EQUIPMENT). IT ALSO EXPLAINS THAT THE U.S. AND GERMANY HAVE AGREED TO COVER WATER MANAGEMENT, WITH TOP PRIORITIES THERE BEING WATER TANKERS AND TRUCKS, WATER DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT, PURIFICATION EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPORT STAFF; NEEDS FOR DRILLING RIGS WILL BE CONFIRMED ONCE SITES ARE IDENTIFIED.

UNHCR QUESTIONS ON POSSIBLE U.S. MILITARY DRAWDOWN  
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8. BEGIN TEXT OF UNHCR QUESTIONS.

-- WILL THE US COMMITMENT TO CARRY OUT THE UNHCR SERVICE PACKAGES CONTINUE AFTER THE WITHDRAWAL OF OPERATION SUPPORT HOPE FORCES?

-- WILL ALTERNATIVE RESOURCES FOR THE SERVICE PACKAGES BE SOUGHT BY THE US AUTHORITIES, OR MUST UNHCR REQUEST NEW DONORS?

-- CAN US MILITARY SECONDEES AND EQUIPMENT SUPPORT TO UNHCR CONTINUE BEYOND THE END OF OPERATION SUPPORT HOPE, OR MUST CIVILIAN ALTERNATIVES BE SOUGHT? IF SO, WHAT STATUS WILL SUCH FORCES HAVE - EXPERTS ON MISSION SECONDED TO UNHCR?

-- WILL US C130 AIRCRAFT (4 PROPOSED) BE CONTRIBUTED TO THE UNHCR AIRLIFT, BASED IN ENTEBBE, WHEN OPERATION SUPPORT HOPE FINISHES, RATHER THAN THE PRIORITY CALL TO UNHCR OF UP TO 11 C130 CURRENTLY BEING OFFERED? FOR HOW LONG?

-- IF EQUIPMENT IS TO BE LOANED, WHO TAKES RESPONSIBILITY DURING THE LOAN PERIOD, AND FOR HOW LONG?

-- CAN UNHCR OR UNAMIR REDEPLOY THE (CONTRIBUTED) EQUIPMENT TO MEET CHANGING NEEDS?

-- OVER AND ABOVE THE EQUIPMENT LIST (PROPOSED TO BE  
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CONTRIBUTED AFTER U.S. WITHDRAWAL), ARE OTHER US  
MILITARY OR CIVILIAN RESOURCES LIKELY TO BE AVAILABLE TO  
THE HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES? IN PARTICULAR, CARGO  
TRUCKS IN RWANDA, MAMS OR TALCE TEAMS IN ENTEBBE, GOMA,  
KIGALI OR BUKAVU? ENGINEER PLANT OPERATORS?

-- WILL THE US GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKE TO IDENTIFY TO  
UNHCR THOSE AIRCRAFT FLYING TO THE REGION TO REDEPLOY US  
MILITARY FORCES, AND MAKE AVAILABLE ANY SPARE CARGO  
CARRYING CAPACITY ON INBOUND FLIGHTS FOR UN OR NGO  
HUMANITARIAN RELIEF CARGOES?

-- WILL THE US GOVERNMENT CONTINUE TO AUTHORIZE UNHCR  
TO COORDINATE PASSENGER TRAVEL FOR INTERNATIONAL  
HUMANITARIAN PERSONNEL AND/OR THE PRESS, ON THEIR

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MILITARY FLIGHTS INTO AND WITHIN THE REGION? END TEXT.

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9. GIVEN UNHCR'S ESSENTIAL NEED TO PLAN FOR THE COMING  
WEEKS/MONTHS, MISSION URGENTLY REQUESTS A USG RESPONSE  
TO QUESTIONS LISTED IN PARA 8. IN ADDITION, WE WOULD  
APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON EQUIPMENT TO BE LEFT FOR U.N.  
AGENCIES IN THE REGION UPON CONCLUSION OF OPERATION  
SUPPORT HOPE. END ACTION REQUEST.  
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